PORTLAND CAPITAL FINANCES LUICK'S

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IS LOCAL MAN'S INVENTION AN UNKNOWN WONDER? -- PORT-LAND MAN BACKING IT.

We take the following from the Portland Review of yesterday:
"Frank J. Luick, of Belding, who has invented a water wheel which promises to revolutionize the production of hydraulic power, was in Portland Friday and has interested C. M. land Friday and has interested C. M. Proudfoot in his invention. Some time this week several tests will be made in Grand river, probably back of the stores on Kent street, for the purpose of determining the power which can be obtained from the use of one, two and three wheels, harnessed together. Mr. Luick has tried out a single wheel at Belding and it did everything that had been expected of it. The wheel can be operated of it. The wheel can be operated without the use of flume or wheel pit, the slightest current turning it. Mr. Luick came to Portland from Lansing where he had a conference with W K. Prudden, state fuel administrator, who promises to lay the discovery be-fore the government for use in its wa-

it. The wheel is not set flat, close to the bottom of the river, as in the case of the type commonly in use, but is placed in a perpendicular position, the wheel revolving in the direction of the current.

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ied out during the past ten years and on which he has been allowed a pat-ent, but as is usually the case when an inventor seeks to interest capital, local men who might have had suffic-

We neglected to say in our article dealing with the need of every per-son doing up a can of fruit or vegeweek, that cans for doing the fruit up in could be obtained either from Mrs. I. L. Hubbell at her home on from the hospital. If you haven't time to get the cans before doing the fruit up call for the cans when you take your donation of canned goods there. At any rate, don't neglect your duty in this regard for it may be yourself or one of yours who will consume

Tried To Fire Building.

Ira Mosher, a young lad of about 14 years old, was in the office Thursday night and told us a story of attempted arson, which someone had committed the day before in the George Cranston house west of the city Wednesday. According to Mosher someone built a fire on the floor sher someone built a fire on the floor of this issue. of the Cranston house, which is at present unoccupied and that the fires went out, before they were intended to or the house would have burned. Mosher claims that he was in the house Wednesday afternoon and ev-erything was all right at that time, but that he went in the building on Thursday morning and found dences of attempted arson.

Hubbardston as Usual.

Rev. John M. Doyle of the War Savings Stamp campaign reports the success of North Plains township, Ionia county, in raising its quota of \$23,000.00. The drive was made by the township organization composed of 20 men, aided by the ladies of the

Change of Time.

The Congregational Sunday school will meet at 9:30 o'clock Sunday morning at their church. A full attendance of teachers and pupils is de-

nnounces Daughter's Marriage. Mrs. Ella F. Guild announces the marriage of her daughter Cora Eaton to Mr. George H. Hoerner on Sunday, June 23, 1918, St. Johns, Mich. At home at 507 West State street.

Miss Guild was a former first grade teacher in the local schools.

O. E. S. Notice. egular meeting of Doric chapter, E. S., Tuesday evening, July 9. Bessie Petersen, Sec'y.

ROCKFORD MERCHANTS EXTEND CREDIT 10 DAYS

Merchants of Rockford have banded together and are going to cut down the credit or "trust" business to nothing at all from now on, they having given public notice of their intentiop by a large advertisement in the local paper there. Instead of having a credit of unlimited capacities both as to amount and time, people living in Rockford and vicinity will hereafter have to come across with the "kale" within ten days after purchasing goods, or the merchant will be up to cutting the delinquent customer off his list entirely. The Rockford merchants, in their notice, give as their reasons for the new scheme many circumstances which they have had to face within the past few years which have practically forced them to the matter of limiting credit on all purchases, other than those of a cash transaction, to a time within the ten day limit.

SPECIAL CARE IN LONDON TOWN

power conservation plan, should KING GEORGE SETS EXAMPLE AND ASKS PEOPLE TO EXTEND prove equal to the claims made for HOSPITALITY TO SAMMIES.

case of the type commonly in use, but is placed in a perpendicular position, the wheel revolving in the direction of the current.

"Plans for the organization of a company here to develop the invention have been under way for some time, but were temporarily haited by the illness of H. L. VanBenschoten, who was promoting it. Mr. Proudfoot was so favorably impressed with the principle that he decided to finance the test, after which others may be taken in.

"Mr. Luick was for several years publisher of the Belding News and the wheel represents years of thought and study of hydraulic application."

For a few years back Luick has been attempting to interest local capital in the water wheel which he studied out during the past ten years and is placed in facsimile to every American soldier on his landing on our soil, is a magnificent lead to the country. "The king leads. Who will not foliow?" Shortly a vast and very definite to the country.

rest of the United States men were being cared for in England.

The article is as follows:

Last Sunday The Weekly Dispatch appealed to the people of England to make it Sammy's as well as Tommy's "Blighty."

The king's message, which is to be handed in facsimile to every American soldier on his landing on our soil, is a magnificent lead to the country. "The king leads. Who will not follow?" Shortly a vast and very definite scheme will be placed before the British public, and the public will act. For the British mother knows what the American mother suffers—that the American suffers more than she herlocal men who might have had sufficient money to ascertain the merits of the invention turned it down, thinking perhaps that it was of no consequence.

According to the above clipping from the Review, however, Portland capital will be set to work to find out just how much the water wheel which our friend and fellow citizen Luick invented is worth.

The question of a "Blighty" for

invented, is worth.

As we have often said before, we hope, as Mr. Luick has so often contended, that his invention will revolutionize the water power development of the world and that it will bring him a million.

The question of a "Blighty" for Sammy has never been a practicable one for America. There could be no leave in Sammy's own 'Blighty"— America herself. And England has solved the problem. Sammy's "Blighty" is almost a fact accomplish-

mother, who is now in her 96th year, and is in failing health. She does not seem to suffer but cannot sit up very long at a time. She says she is ready and waiting to go. Next they went to Grand Rapids and spent one night with Mrs. Lulu Annis, formerly of his place, also other relatives. They returned home Tuesday evening.

Canned Fruit For Hospital.'

We neglected to say in our article

man will pack it home as a treasure to be kept for all time. Millions of the lefter in the king of that paper in about three weeks or when the American man-agement of that paper in about three weeks or when the American man-agement of that paper in about three weeks or when the American man-agement of that paper in about three weeks or when the American man-agement of that paper in about three weeks or when the American man-agemen tables for the use of the hospital, last that he can write to his own people,

> "Pat" Is Moving Soon.
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> Workmen have been busy during the past 10 days getting the new store room in which Henry Patterson is to have his stock of bazaar goods located in the future, ready for business. Of course the moving of such a large and varied stock of goods as Mr. Patterson at all times carries for the local trade is not easy to move and rather than move it all, "Pat" is going to hold a sale which will begin

> > To Engage in Business

Arthur Fitzjohn is making rangements to engage in the under-taking business in this city and will-open up with the same on or about July 15. Mr. Fitzjohn has both Illinois and Michigan embalmers' license and has a great many friends here who wish him success. He has had considerable experience in this work and that he will make a success of it goes without saying.

Becomes War Bride.

J. Harvey McKiddie and Miss Inez Black were married June 22, at the home of the bride's parents in Albion, by Dr. F. F. Goodrich, of Albion college. The groom is a soldier at Camp Custer, having gone there with the May 25 contingent and is expecting to be called into overseas duty in the near future. Harvey is well known here; being one of the graduating class of 1915 of the local high school. He worked for a number of years at the Herald Publishing Co.'s plant in this city and has many friends here who join with us in wishing him happiness and success in life. piness and success in life.

Roy McKiddle and Mabel McKiddle
his brother and sister, were present
at the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. James Corsaut of Anderson, Ind., arrived Tuesday af-ternoon to visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Briggs and other rel-atives and friends.

Fireworks for the Kaiser



OPEN AIR UNION SERVICES BEGIN SUNDAY JULY 7

The first of the series of open air union meetings which the protestant churches of the city wil hold during the summer months will be held on Sunday, July 7 on the vacant grounds just east of the Banner-News office. Everybody is requested to attend and rally to these meetings as it is hoped a good attendance will always be had. The schedule for the meetings so far arranged is as follows:

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July 7— Rev. W. A. Biss, speaker;
Don Cook, chairman.
July 14—Rev. J. Fred Iulg, speaker; Rev. W. A. Biss, chairman.
July 21—Rev. P. R. Norton, speaker; Rev. J. Fred Iulg, chairman.
July 28—Rev. J. Fred Iulg, speaker;
Rev. P. R. Norton, chairman.
August 4—Rev. W. A. Biss, speaker;
Don Cook, chairman.

Enjoyed a Short Trip.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Thomas returned Tuesday night from a visit to Lansing, Rives Junction and Jackson, visiting many friends and relatives, also visiting Augusta and Camp Custer, going from there to Kalamazoo, Shaftsburg, Hastings and Vermontville where they visited Mr. Thomas' mother, who is now in her 96th year, and is in failing health. She does not seem to suffer but cannot sit up

Notice For Annual Meeting. Section 4661. The annual meeting of school district, No. 9, in the city of Belding for the election of school officers and for the transacschool officers and for the transaction of such other business as may lawfully come before it, will be held at the high school building on Monday, the sighth day of July 1918, at 8 the eighth day of July, 1918, at o'clock p. m. Dated this 1st day of July, 1918.

Fred L. Warner, Director. wife.

The Red Cross workers sent to headquarters for June, the following articles: 165 surgical shirts, 40 pairs pajamas. 800 absorbent pads, 20 housewife kits, 42 sweaturs, 89 pairs of socks, 14 pairs wristlets, 3 scarfs. Each month a certain quota will be ent us. Please watch this column to know what we are expected to accomplish. We have 16 sweaters to be finished by Aug. 10.

Mrs. G. D. Weter is general chairman of the knitting department.

er; Don Cook, chairman.

August 11—Rev. P. R. Norton, speaker; Rev. W. A. Biss, chairman.

August 18.—Church of Christ.

August 25.—Congregational church.
Orlo Morse is treasurer of the Union association.

Mrs. G. D. Weter is general chairman of the knitting department.

Will someone please loan us a sewing machine? We are badly in need of two or three more.

Is everyone doing, not her bit, but her best to help win the war?

WOODWORKERS TO HAVE BUT FEW DAY'S VACATION

Factories "A" and "B" of the Beld-ing-Hall Co. closed down for the 4th of July vacation last night for the balance of the week. The factories done. It is a very great event in the brotherhood of the two nations. Let every one of us so behave to Sammy that he can write to his own people, foreign office for the Pewamo News.

England has taken

Fred also intimated that he was going to marry a French girl and settle will resume operations again Monday morning, July 8. While the regular company pay day does not fall until Monday, the office force of the Beld-Line Hell Co. was working over time ing-Hall Co. was working over time so that the men could have their pay on Tuesday night, thus giving them plenty of money to travel on for their vacation trips and have enough left to purchase a few fireworks in case it was also planned on helping the eagle scream on one of the great-est holidays which the people of the nation have.

James Johnston was a Sunday call-er of his brother, Ansel Johnston and

short time after, Miss Allie Arnwine, who happened to be passing the canvas basket factory noticed him sitting on the steps leading to the entrance of that building and upon her asking him if he was ill, he nodded in the affirmative. Miss Arnwine at once notified R. Howard Hall of the company, who quickly notified Dr. J. F. Pinkham and the two hurried to the sick man's side. Mr. Waterman was so far gone, however, that he only lived about five minutes after this and he died, before he could be removed, on the steps of the old canvas factory building. His remains were taken building. His remains were taken to the Miller & Harris undertaking rooms where they now are, awaiting word from his relatives in the east, who have been notified. Mr. Waterman has a sister living at Boston, Mass., and a mother living at some town in Maine, but no word has been received from them as yet and the body will be held pending word from

Visits Old Haunts.

Henry Shindorf of Howell is a guest of relatives and friends in this he left here about six years ago.

Wm. E. Fisher, City Treasurer.

"SAM" WATERMAN

The many friends of Samuel Waterman were shocked to hear of his sudden death Sunday afternoon when it was learned that he had suddenly ded while on his way over to the office of the Belding-Hally Co. Mr. Waterman was employed for the past year as shiping clerk for the company and had been around the city with his friends during the day in his usually apparent good health. At about 2:30 o'clock he left some of his friends in Hotel Belding stating that he would walk over to the office. A short time after, Miss Allie Arnwine, who happened to be passing the can-

"Sam," as he was familiarly known, was a genial, whole-souled individual and made many friends here. While he had been in his local position for only about a year, he had been with the New York offices of the Belding-Hall Co. for many years, and mental the second seco Hall Co. for many years and was considered a valuable, trustworthy employe by the company.

city and vicinity. He was formerly a resident of this city and owned a blacksmith shop on West Main street for many years prior to the time when

City Treasurer's Notice. I will be at the city hall on and after Friday, July 5 to receive taxes. The office will be open every after-

INSTITUTE CLOSED RE-SULT OF PROHIBITION

Lansing Mich.—Prohibition is prohibiting in Michigan. This is indicated by the fact that Fred L. Woodworth, who is head of the commission to keep the state dry, has received a letter from the Keeley Institute at Grand Rap ds announcing that its doors are closing because there is no new crop of drunks being created.

Well, well, those wet fellows must have lied to us when they said prohibition would have no effect on the "gold cure" colleges.

Another batch of interesting letters

Frank Sandy Injured.
Frank Sandy, weil known resident of Peck's Hill, got mixed up with a cow owned by Clarence Holcomb last Saturday and as a result he is limping around and taking an enforced vacation. Mr. Sandy was putting his own cow in a pasture when the neighbor's cow attacked him.

BIG DRAFT

Another big draft of men is going to leave Ionia county during the week of July 15 and 20 when very nearly every man in Class I—in fact, every physically fit man in this class will be included in this draft and the next men to come up for drafting will either be from Class II or from the recently registered men, who became of the age of 21 years after June 5, 1917, and on or before June 5, 1918.

The names of the men who will go in the next big draft are as yet, not available and therefore we cannot publish them. The reason for this is that the reclassification has affected the various classes somewhat and the

is that the reclassification has affected the various classes somewhat and the names of the men will only be known after the physical examinations by the local draft boards have been held and the men either accepted or rejected as the case may be.

The number of men who are to go in the July 20 draft is approximately 205 and while there are not as many men as that in the old original Class I, there are a lot of men who have at some time been in the country's service and through being disqualified in some way and discharged, have registered and will come up for reexamination and a possible reinduction into the service.

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The men in Class I who were given
deferred clasifications from Class I
and allowed to go to work on farms
for the purpose of aiding in the crop
conditions of the nation, will be the
very first to go in the next draft and
later on deferred registrants will be
called as needed.

DEATH CLOSES LIFES BOOK

Elwood Leslie McConnell, child of Robert and Mattie McConnell, was born in Belding, Mich., August 27, 1902 and lived most of his short life in Belding.

was taken sick Thursday, June 20 while at his work in the refrigera-tor warehouse and the following Suntor warehouse and the following Sunday was removed to the City hospial where he died Friday morning, June 28. During his five days at the hospital the nurses found him always patient and cheerful in doing all to help toward his recovery. On the last day he asked for his mother, as if he maked the and might be near and realized the end might be near and wanted those he loved most with him. Besides his grief-stricken parents, he leaves four sisters, one an infant

of a few days, and two brothers, also many relatives and friends to mourn "Ah me! Ah me! o'er the brightest

morning The storm may break and the storm clouds fly; And the fairest flowers life's path

adorning Spring up and blossom but to die. The sunlight fades and the shadows

A chill wind blows from a far-off shore And the mother's arms to her heart

Shall clasp her son—ah! never more. But the bright arch through the storm comes shining. And tells of the mercy that cannot

Lee Orser, of the United Stetes army, stationed at Brownsville, Tex-as, is the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Orser, on a month's

SOLDIERS LETTERS COME TO THEM

Another batch of interesting letters from the men in the service have reached or been brought to the Banner-News office during the past few days and it is with genuine pleasure that we publish them.

Harry Fuller, son of Mrs, Frank Fuller is the first writer and he tells in his letter of soldier life in France. H.s letter is as follows:

May 30, 1918.

May 30, 1918. Dear Mother and All:

Dear Mother and All:

Now to try and answer all those letters I received last week Friday. I wrote you on Thursday after getting your letter of April 21 and the next day I got a bunch of mail, 13 letters from you, dating from March 13 to April 29, two from Aunt Frankie and one from Carrie and five others, 21 in all and one postcard, some reading for a while and I was sure glad to get it, though some was quite old. I knew I had a lot of it somewhere on the way. One letter was from Charles Beduhn, addressed to Camp Dodge, I was surprised but very glad to hear from him. The last I wrote Aunt Frankie from there she had the letter printed in the Record and that is how he got the address. I suppose he is at Camp Custer now. I shall write him at Pierson and perhaps he will get it in time. His letter was so long in reaching me, he will think before he gets an answer that it never did.

Carrie's letter was of March 24, be.

carrie's letter was of March 24, be fore she left Six Lakes. I suppose she would get a letter sent in care of the company if I get to it to write her before I get her address. I hope she likes her new position and gets along dandy, but has a little more time to write and get home at least as often as she did before, I had forgot all about those pictures that you sent in one of the letters. If Don takes any and has some extra I would like to have some. How does he get along with his work? John I suppose is very busy every day, by the time you get this he will be out of school for the summer and Chester no doubt by now has the "position of a soldier at attention" learned real well, and when he gets it I know he will be when he gets it I know he will be good at it. I would like to see him in uniform. I hope too, he will get the right idea of military life; he will get along much better and will get some good from it, for the service will give one as much as one puts into it, the same as anything else; of course it's not all so nice; there is a certain amount of hardships, but ev-

eryone expects it.

June 4.—Some holdup. I was going to throw this away and start over but I thought perhaps I might not get much farther before bed time and FOR ELWOOD M'CONNELL maybe as long n getting at it again. The band started playing the other night and of course I could not write then at all and for some reson And for s lately I can't seem to get myself at it to write, and I have a lot of it to do, but will feel like it again some time and write a bunch of them at once as receive them. Rece.ved another letter Sunday from you and one from Carrie. We have moved twice since I wrote you last. I certainly am seeing some of France and sure some very beautiful scenery. I wish you might see it also. We have a large motor truck repairshop and go from one place to another along the front, repairing trucks and some of the largerepairing trucks and some of the larger guns so that is why we are mov-ing so often but it's not so bad be-

cause we move with trucks.

I have not had a chance to get to the front, any farther than the heavy artillery and have not run into any of the fellows from home yet, though have a line on where some might pos-The weather is just dandy, the nights are cool and how you can sleep,

it's sure great; we are near the mountains, so that is the reason.

It's getting late and exra cool tonight so will have to leave you for

this time and promise to do better soon. Remember me to the folks and lots of love to all at home.

Harry J. Fuller,

Ord. Dct. Repairshop, 8 How'r

Regt., via A. P. O. 719, A. E. F.

June 12, 1918. Dear Mother and All at Home: Just back from picking strawberries

Comes shining.

And tells of the mercy that cannot cease.

So now, through the storm of her sad repin.ng.

There comes a glad whisper of hope and peace;

There comes a glad whisper of hope and peace;

Thy son that was lost, lo! the shepherd found it.

And safe to His own green pastures bore;

And the everlasting arms are around it.

For evermore! Oh, for evermore.

The funeral was held from the family bome on James street Monday afternors. at 2 o'clock, Rev. J. Fred Iulg officiating and burial was in Riverridge cemetery.

To the Citizens of the 18th Senatorial District.

In accordance with the time honored custom in this district of state senators serving two terms, I hereby an nounce myself. My position upon all public questions is well known and I hope meets with your approval. Yours for what is right,

G. W. Miller.

Ord. Det. Repair Shop, 8th How'r Regt, via A. P. O. 719, A. E. F.

Another leter and All at Home:

Just back from picking strawberries for breakfast and will write a few lines before bed time which is not far off. Though "somewhere in France" I am having strawberries, but not the shortcake that my mouth waters for when I think of the fat juicy ones I used to devour last summer, but why rave thusly!

That sugar you sent me last winters while at Camp Grant is coming in just dandy now, what there is left of it. I wish now that I had more of it. I wish now that I ha

Another leter is from Alvin Davis, on of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Davis, Alvin is new at Taft's college, Mans. (Continued on Page Four)

COLUMBIA

Columbia-to thee I pledge my all, I only ask that I may be with you, Throughout the darkened hours of

And just a flower in your pathway strew; A humble prayer that I may know the way, That God will give to me the strength I need.

No faltering in my steps as I go on, To help our heroes, who in Flanders bleed.

No thoughts, but those that are eternal right. No way too long-though filled with thorns it seems:

Make mine the love that knows no trials too A love that paints with shining gold my dreams

Dreams, of the hour when the world shall Forever free of those who rule with dripping swords;

umph over wrong; And drive into the night the tyrant lords.

Dreams, of the day when right shall tri-

There is no greater service man can yield, Than walk to martial strains beneath the flag unfurled; To dedicate himself this day unto the task,

And help to hurl the foes of freedom from the world; To stand, as did the patriots of old That morn upon the village green at Concord town-

Their's was the freeman's answer to the

despot's call. Theirs to cleft away the yoke that bore them down.

Exalted in the cause you've struck for May I behold you in your glorious gown, And with a humble spirit kneel and kiss

In righteousness on Freedom's throne you

the hem? And if I'm called to make the sacrifice supreme. My soul go out to lands beyond the azure

I'll only smile and say that heaven has been To let me walk this little way with you.

-Fred D. Keister.